

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 15 with the following amended paragraph:

The user manipulates an image displayed on the display screen of the display unit 26 with the manual command input unit 24 via GUI 66 for making various adjustments such as tone curve adjustments, base color adjustments, etc. in a user-friendly control environment. In this embodiment, the mouse 24M, the ~~CUI~~GUI 66, the display unit 26, and the profile manager 56 jointly serve as the file moving means for moving files. Alternatively, only the mouse 24M may be considered as the file moving means.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 20-21 with the following amended paragraph:

According to the present embodiment, as described above, for confirming the colors of an image to be printed on a print sheet based on device-dependent input C, M, Y, K image data with the printer 16 before the image is actually printed by the printing machine, when the color converter 20 for converting device-dependent input C, M, Y, K image data to device-dependent R, G, B image data for the printer 16 comprises the merged profile 21 which comprises, as shown in FIG. 2, the printing condition profiles 28 for converting the device-dependent input C, M, Y, K image data to device-dependent image data X, Y, Z in view of printing conditions, and the printer condition profile 30 for converting the device-independent image data X, Y, Z to device-dependent R, G, B image data in view of output conditions of the printer 16, the printing condition profiles 28 are divided into those managed by the to-be-merged printing condition profile storage area 58A which stores them as to-be-merged files and those managed by the not-

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to-be-merged printing condition profile storage area 58B which stores them as not-to-be-merged files, and the printer condition profile 30 is managed by the printer condition profile storage area 58C which stores it as a file. The file moving means for moving files comprises the mouse 24M, the ~~GUI~~GUI 66, the display unit 26, and the profile manager 56, and the profile manager 56 has the merging processor 56A. When a not-to-be-merged printing condition profile 28X stored in the not-to-be-merged printing condition profile storage area profile storage area 58A by the file moving means, the merging processor 56A automatically merges the file of the printer condition profile 30 stored in the printer condition profile storage area 58C with the file of the moved printing condition profile 28, i.e., the file with the title "SLIGHTLY COATED PAPER PRINTING" in the illustrated embodiment, into a new merged profile 21, and the new merged profile 21 is stored in the merged profile storage area 58D.